THE ART OF MANAGING HUSBANDS.

Winning a Man a Pleasure, but Keeping Him a Penance.

From The Detroit Free Press.

Just now a good many bright, original women are giving considerable attention to the profound science of training husbands. Vernona Jarbeau started the ball rolling. She's married and therefore speaks by the card, though somewhat radically.

Winning a husband, says the black-eyed Jarbeau, is only a pleasure to a woman, but keeping him after you win him as a penance. What I mean by that is, more than two-thirds of the women who marry let their husbands slip through their fingers because they are too lazy, too ignorant and too indifferent too keep them.

Ask any of your friends how they captured their other half, and they will tell you frankly, "I don't know." A man's heart is ensnared by a pretty hand, nice teeth, a round, low voice, frank eyes, beautiful hair; by the way a girl walks, talks, plays, rides, puns; by her gifts, her smile, her amiability, her good taste, generosity, or the very manner in which she greets, fascinates or alooses him. She may not know how she won him, but if she doesn't know how to keep him, the best thing for her to do is to find out. There are many things we know by intuition; the rest have to be learned by experiment. Conscious of her abilities and inabilities as a wife, a wise woman will learn how to keep a husband just as she learns how to keep house, to make chicken croquettes, chocolate creams, bread, beds, or lemonade, and if she doesn't, why some siren, with the sunshine in her tresses and the perfumes of wild olives about her, will secure for her a permanent vacation.

Men are not tools. They may be boys, but they will be treated fairly, and if there is any place where the jams and jellies, custards and cookies, are liable to be hidden, be sure they will find it.

Men like to preach down extravagance and style and dress; but the woman who bangs her hair, powders the shine off her face, hides a blotch or scar under a piece of court plaster, who wants pretty gloves and stockings, trim slippers, perfumes, balms, cold creams, finger curls and fancy notions to increase her charms is the woman who is admired every time. Those long, lean, lank, common-sense women may gad about with their wholesome ugliness and cheap simplicity, but the procession of men who follow is not a long one.

If a man is fond of flattery let him have it. Not by the volume, but in crisp little verses. If he has ambitions or schemes listen to him with open eyes of wonderment, and, no matter what the occasion is, never permit your knowledge to exceed his. Men despise smart women, but have no fault to find when her talents are large enough to appreciate his greatness. Men like to be looked up at, depended on, quoted and referred to. That's the reason why a little woman marries three times to the one wedding of the tall, heroic lady.

An ugly temper is a trial that few women are able to stand. The only cure is silence. You can't kiss a furious man; it only makes him worse. The thing to do is to keep still, let him cool, and let the matter drop. He will respect your sense and come to terms on his own accord.

To be born a woman is to be born a martyr, but the husband that is worth wedding is worth keeping; and if a little artifice, a pleasant smile, a contented heart, forbearance, neatness, devotion, and sass will hold him, by all means let him be held. Men must be taken as they are, and not as they should be; they are not a half bad lot under the refining influence of mutual interest and love, and he is a very wretched specimen of humanity who cannot be counted on to shield his wife from the buffets of the world and be an anchor for her when youth and beauty have proved unfaithful. Poor fellow! he is weak, but he can't help it! He was made so. He would rather be good than bad, a king than a serf, and I think it is a woman's duty to do what she can for him. Sick and tired of the bang and clatter of the world's machinery, a man is ready and willing to go anywhere away from the tumult, and wish any one who will help him to forget his cares, disappointments, and his very existence. This thing of trying to rule a husband is all humbug; it can't be done. You can coax most men, bribe some, and govern a very few, but that vulgar rubbing of the fur the right way wins every time.

M. Carnot and the Journalists.

From The Pall Mall Gazette.

Here are two interesting little extracts which shed light on the growing power of the press: "M. Carnot has had all the journalists following him in his tour presented to him, and has told them he was anxious to facilitate their work, as he knew the population of all France wished to be informed correctly as to what took place. He relied, he said, on the journalists for telling the truth. The Prime Minister of Roumania adopted the hitherto unprecedented course of summoning the editors of the papers in Bucharest, including those unfavorable to the present Government, to his office. He admitted the extreme gravity of the present crisis, and appealed to their patriotism and public spirit, requesting them not to publish reports likely to add to the excitement in the rural districts and to encourage the promoters of disaffection." The President, it seems, requested the editors to tell the truth; the Prime Minister to suppress it. It would be interesting to know which method of nobbing the press proves the more successful.

The Collector's Revenge.

Vindictive Youth—Yes, I've been cut out three times by these infernal dudes, rich girl every time, too; but I'm getting even with the whole tribe of 'em now, you bet. They're every one of them just wishin' they'd never been born; they'll never interfere with me again.

Friends—Eh? Joined the Anarchists and sending 'em death notices?

"Better than that. I've got a job as bill collector for a fashionable clothing store."—Omaha World.

A Chip of the Older Block.

Mr. Einstetter (in the bosom of his family)—"How mooch mein liddle Davit loaf he's father—heh?"

Little David—"Von hundert per cend., no discound, fad gölors, mit exchanche on Lohndon!"

Mr. Einstetter (in an agony of filial love)—"Ach! u ein fader's own chranston, say dot agains!"—Puck.

What Samuel Said.

Cleveland Leader.

A Methodist Sunday School teacher in Berea, where Eli Perkins was billed to lecture under the auspices of Baldwin University was examining his Sunday School class. Among others he asked his class this question: "What did Samuel say to Eli?" No answer was given for a moment; then a sweet little girl spoke up and said: "I know." "Well," said the teacher, "what did Samuel say?" "He said, 'Get there, Eli!'" was the prompt reply.

Easily Understood.

From The Philadelphia Call.

Mrs. Penn—William, I read an advertisement in one of the papers stating that for a dollar in stamps the advertiser would send by return mail a sure way to get rid of rats in the house.

Mr. Penn—Well?

Mrs. Penn—I sent a dollar in stamps, William, and received an answer.

Mr. Penn—What was it?

Mrs. Penn—William, the cheat told me to move.

A Wide Range of Expression.

From Harper's Bazar.

"You seem thoughtful this evening, Bobby," said the minister, who was making a call.

"Mr. Goodman," inquired Bobby, rousing himself, "what is a vocabulary?"

The minister kindly told him.

"I heard it this morning," Bobby explained, "and I didn't know what it meant. Ma said she had no idea what a vocabulary pa had until she heard him taking down the parlor stove."

Tantalizing.

From Puck.

He—I read something funny the other day. It was about a man who had invented a parlor lamp which would go out promptly at 10 p.m.

She—How nice!

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STEAMING FOR LIFE.

Last Run of the Steamship Queen Off the Pacific Coast.

From the San Francisco Post.

Capt. Alexander's bravery and presence of mind has received much praise. According to the latest private telegrams that have been received, he was aware that the Queen was leaking as early as 2.30 o'clock. In a few minutes he saw that his steamer must go down, for the pumps could not work fast enough to keep her clear. Realizing that the only salvation of the steamship and the safety of the hundreds of lives intrusted to his care rested on his making a convenient haven at once, he sent private orders to the chief engineer to crowd on all steam, to use coal as if it were worthless, and to send the Queen along like a race horse. The chief engineer responded. All hands in the department were called out, and the steam was raised to the utmost limit. As a further precaution, the cargo was shifted, and then began a race for life. The engines creaked and groaned, and the journals smoked. All this time the passengers were asleep in their bunks. Finally, Capt. Alexander began to fear that he could not make port. All along that part of the coast bluffs arise abruptly from the sea, there being no convenient beach on which the steamer could be run, and the passengers were roused so as to be ready to take to the boats.

The frightened people rushed out from their staterooms in all sorts of apparel. A panic seemed inevitable, but ashin the coolness of Capt. Alexander won. He compelled the frightened ones to dress, and, by an exhibition of force, stopped a rush for the boats. After quelling the excited people, he saw that the firemen worked to the last limit, and, when the vessel finally steamed into port, nearly ready to sink, he was the first to see that the passengers went into the boats in an orderly manner.

Old steamship men, without exception, say that nothing in the history of steam navigation on this coast ever approached the splendid run made by the Queen for port. Thus the steamer was sunk in a safe place seems to them a marvel. Capt. Alexander saw the water advancing inch by inch in his vessel, and all the time urged her to her topmost speed. It is expected that the engines have been somewhat damaged by the terrific strain put upon them, but this is an item hardly worth mentioning in the expenses for repairs.

LOST FROM THE HOTELS.

The Queer Manner in Which Little Things Disappear—The Proportion of Thefts.

An old hotel steward said yesterday that it is impossible to restrict a large proportion of the loss of portable articles in hotels. This loss is not so much due to theft as to carelessness and hurry on the part of maids, men and women, who carry off the keepsake they have been using in their rooms, pack up the hotel towels by mistake, and break a good deal that is only missed when an inventory is taken. This steward said that a large hotel collects spoons, napkins and towels stamped with the names of almost all the other large hotels in the country, and of names in Europe. The spoon packed away with the child's medicine by a maid in Paris is, perhaps, next brought to light in a New York hotel, where it is sent down to the kitchen when no longer needed.

Thus these little but costly things travel about and defy safe keeping. There is a great deal of theft, of course. Servant women wrap tablecloths and sheets around their persons, waiters pocket forks, spoons, knives and napkins, and bartenders and their helpers carry off bottles of liquors. As far as possible large hotels board and house their help, because that makes it more difficult for theft to be practiced.

But the leakage remains very great. In one case that can be certified to a clever waiter established his wife at the head of a boarding-house and furnished her table ware, linen and a great deal of the food that was taken from his stealings from the different places where he was employed.

Dragoons and Cavalry.

Paris Despatch to The London Daily Telegraph.

A recent military writer has taken objection to Napoleon's command to the troops at Friedland, 1807, an episode now rendered famous by Meissonier's splendid work, on the ground that the terms of the Emperor's order would lead people to believe that dragoons were not cavalry. Napoleon ordered to the front "the cavalry of Gen. Espagne and the dragoons of Gen. Grouchy, the division of dragoons of Latour-Maubourg, and Count Nansouty's division of heavy cavalry."

The writer in question being an officer of dragoons is naturally indignant because the Great Emperor seemed to treat the dashing sabreurs of Grouchy and Latour-Maubourg as a kind of "Horse Marines," or at least mere infantry mounted on horseback, who had no right to the title of "cavaliers." Nevertheless, as a military critic points out, the author of the volume, which is a kind of French "Battle of Dorking," is quite wrong when he characterizes Napoleon's order as absurd. Napoleon went by the old regulations of 1738, which distinguished dragoons from "cavaliers," although there was issued an order in 1784 which assimilated them with the cavalry. The terms of the old regulation containing the distinction were, however, firmly ingrafted in military minds, and hence Napoleon's famous classification as Friedland, which so offends the soul of the author of the interesting "Bataille de Damvillers."

The dragoons of the French army of to-day are of course thoroughly assimilated to the cuirassiers, chasseurs and hussars, and have full claim to be classed as cavalry. They have no longer the monopoly of dismounted drill, for the rest of the other horse regiments are exercised in infantry tactics just as is the case in other armies.

Nobody to Nudge.

From The Chicago Times.

Rosina Vokes and her company recently filled a one-night engagement at Flint, Mich. It was not a blooming success financially. There were but few persons in the house downstairs, and but one—a man in a plaid ulster—upstairs.

When the performance was about half over Mr. Cecil Clay, the manager, saw the man in the plaid ulster come down from the gallery and go away.

After the performance Mr. Clay was passing a saloon when he heard a ruction inside and stopped to see what it was all about. There stood the man in the plaid ulster whacking the bar with his fist and shouting that he could lick any man who said that it was not a good show or that Rosina Vokes was not the best comedienne on the stage today.

This, of course, astonished Mr. Clay. After a while he asked the man why it was, if the performance was so good, he left when it was half over.

"Why," said the man, "I got so d—d lonesome up there I couldn't stand it."

Not Familiar to Him.

Guest (in reading room of hotel, to stranger) Excuse me, sir, but will you kindly tell me how to spell embarrassment?

Stranger (a Chicago drummer): H-m—embarrassment. I don't know the word, sir. French, isn't it?

Going Without Resignation.

From The Washington Critic.

Minister (to sick official)—You are aware, dear brother, that you are about to die?

Sick Official—Yes, I am aware of it.

Minister—And do you feel that you can go with resignation?

Sick Official—Yes, but I'm going without resignation. We die, you know, but we never resign.

Walls Have Ears.

Tenth floor occupant (of Harlem flat)—Well, my dear, that whispering little Miss Smith, who lives on the first floor, is engaged at last.

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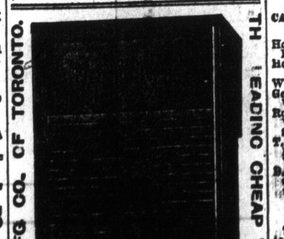

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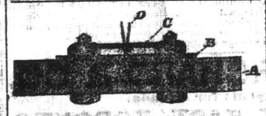

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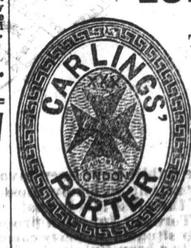

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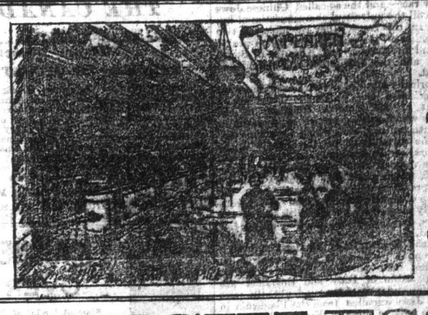

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